

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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5 The present invention advantageously provides a manner
by which to further suppress noise superimposed upon an
information signal without increasing distortion to the
signal, e.g., speech. By distributing the noise suppression,
the quality of the information signal provided to a listener
is improved. In one embodiment, a first noise suppressor is
employed at the transmitter to suppress noise superimposed
upon an information signal prior to its transmission by the
10 transmitter, and a second noise suppressor is employed at the
receiver to suppress the noise component of a communication
signal received at the receiver.